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VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

On Wednesday evening an extraordinary meeting of the members of the Victoria Recreation Club was held, when Mr. A. Rodger occupied the chair. The members of the committee present were: Messrs. M. Melver, L. Lammert, S. S. H. H. Humphreys and T. Meek, with the secretary, Mr. F. Lammert. There was a good attendance of members.

After disposing of the first business on the agenda the chairman said that the next point for the consideration of the members was the length of the swimming bath and the scheme of drainage.

Mr. T. Meek said that the object of construction was the length of the bath. It had been a disappointment to him to find that they could not get a bath 100 ft. long. The advantages of their site of a 75 ft. bath as against a 100 ft. bath was not to be thought of. The ground available measured 110 ft. If they took 100 ft. for the bath there would be precious little left. They must have a straight line to get to the club house. To build a 75 ft. bath was no mistake. The principal bath at home were 75 ft. and one swim four lengths for 100 yds. finishing at the starting point. The bath's proposed would be the same depth all the way. A 75 ft. bath would give room for spectators' galleries—a very important matter, and he thought they would be able to seat about 800 people. Pools could be played in a 75 ft. bath. The game might not be so hard, and afterwards might be secured, but the game would be equally fair to both sides. If a 100 ft. bath were built they would have little room to start over a town race, let alone running head and so on.

Discussion took place and Mr. T. Meek eventually proposed and Mr. C. Humphreys seconded that the bath be 75 feet in length.

Mr. E. Humphreys however was in favour of taking ten feet off the gymnasium, and the necessary amount of the other end so as to have a 100 feet bath, and proposed a resolution to that effect, which was seconded by Mr. Silva Netto.

On being put to the meeting the original proposition was carried.

Mr. T. Meek said the idea of financing was to raise the amount necessary from among club members by the issue of debentures, bearing six per cent. interest.

Mr. Silva Netto said that would mean an alteration of rules.

The Chairman—We want to have the feeling of the meeting—don't you mind about the alteration of the rules.

On the motion of Mr. T. Meek, seconded by Mr. Silva Netto, it was agreed that 800 debenture shares at \$25 each bearing 6 per cent. be issued.

THE MORRISON MEMORIAL IN CANTON.

Little has been said or published lately dealing with the proposed erection of a Memorial Hall in Canton, to commemorate the conclusion of the first hundred years of Protestant Mission work in China. It would appear, however, that things are moving, though perhaps slowly. We see from a native paper that six trustees have been appointed to select and buy a site. Rather, it may be said, they have been appointed to purchase a site, and therefore the presumption is that there are sufficient funds in hand for this initial step. The trustees are both foreigners and Chinese, and moreover the different Churches are represented. As the Y.M.C.A. throughout the world are interested in the completion of this great scheme, it is stated that a Branch of the Y.M.C.A. for natives has been established in Canton, in Great New Street. This is in the centre of the city, and should be easily accessible to all parties.

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Hongkong, August 2, 1908 816

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Under-
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 23rd to the 27th inst., both days inclusive.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
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Hongkong, October 3, 1908. 1355

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY,
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWELFTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, Hongkong, on TUESDAY the 27th October, 1908, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts to 31st July, 1908.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from the 13th to the 27th October, 1908, both days inclusive.
By Order,
S. A. SETH,
Secretary.
Hongkong, October 7, 1908. 1378

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[BY W. PETTY RIDGE IN THE "WESTMINSTER
GAZETTE"]

"You and your paradescent home!"
she remarked with severity. "Reckon I
shall have more trouble in getting you
down there than I've had looking after
you here in Stanley-buildings. Surve you
right if I said I wouldn't travel with you—
I've more than half a mind—Hello, puss
dear!" with a sudden change of manner.
"Where've you been? Come here and let
your mother stroke you."

The cat obeyed with a certain reluctance
of manner as the woman spoke in terms of
endearment. Her husband looked on an
empty pipe between his teeth, and finger-
ing a tobacco-pouch. He was about to
give this a twist in order to get at the
contents when his wife, ceasing the affec-
tionate remarks which she was showering
on the unappreciative animal—"Sweet old
toddlekins, precious beautiful"—turned
upon him. The cat made a swift escape.
"That's like you!" she cried despair-
ingly. "The very moment my back's
turned you must saggle me into mis-
chief. People talk about the trouble of
children: I declare to goodness I'd as lief
have tomcats to look after as you,
William. Why don't you on with your
hat and your overcoat and go along and
find out for ever sin from the Society about
the train? Yes, yes, I know, I know. You
think it starts alive past three; but
what you think and what other people
think are two entirely different things."

He combed his hair with his hands in
front of the small looking-glass which
hung upon a nail, and ventured to suggest
his appearance would be improved by a
loan of threepence and a visit to the
barber's. She ordered him to sit down
immediately, and, fishing a towel from
the scullery, tucked it around his neck,
and with a pair of scissors clipped for
some moments at the back of his neck.
Stepping back to inspect the result of her
handiwork, she announced that any want
of completeness or finish was due entirely
to the circumstance that he moved his
head when she wished it to remain
quiescent, that he refused to turn it
when movement was necessary.

"Pure obstinacy," she declared. "That's
what it is. You go out of your way to
annoy me. To do that you give yourself
quite a lot of trouble." She went to the
doorway to shake the towel; the distance
between them found itself annulled by the
increased volume of her tones. "How
many more times here I got to tell you to
put on your hat and overcoat and get along
and see that everything's all fixed up?
Or would you rather leave it till the last
minute, so that we on both miss the train
comfortably?"

Ignoring the salvo of the last question,
he asked, as he struggled with the sleeves
of his coat, whether she felt inclined to
accompany him in the task of making
inquiries: a disastrous suggestion, for
which he, in vain, made efforts to apologize.
"Suppose it never occurs to you," she
said with forced calm, "that a woman's
got house work to do? You've been stuck
at home this last few weeks, and any man
with ordinary intelligence might have
been supposed to take notice and to see
that brass rods don't get cleaned by magic
and that window-panes can't be treated by
conjuring. Isn't enough for you that I'm
going to give up the whole afternoon
and the evening to getting you down to
this seaside place that I'm sick and tired of
hearing about? Next I give up the whole
of my life to you! Am I never to know
what it is to have a single, solitary moment
to myself?"

He urged her not to take on.
"Oh," she said, rubbing her eyes with
the corner of the apron. "I've got to see it
through, and I may as well make the best
of it. I always have been noted for keep-
ing merry and animated, so to speak, and
I'd better keep it going till the end. Only
made one mistake in my life." She paused
as though inviting question, but he had
probably walked into the trap on previous
occasions. "I married a fool," she re-
marked grimly.

He said, in going, that a quarter of an
hour at the outside would be the length of
his absence, and his wife sent him off with
the gracious assurance that she would feel
no great disturbance if he were never to
return. She gave an appealing summons
to the cat, but it did not answer, and the
cat near the window found itself called
upon to listen to a recital of her troubles,
which it did with head cocked
knowingly on one side and an occasional
opening of the back that might have been
a yawn or a prelude to some effort of song.

"Four hours in a railway train," she
said, as she went on with her work; "two
hours there and two hours back, and then,
thank goodness, there'll be peace and
quiet in the house for the first time during
twenty-five years. We shan't know what
to make of it, daisy-bird, shall we? We
shall fancy you're in heaven. Nobody to
come in and out with muddy boots, nobody
to make the place stink with tobacco-smoke,
nobody to start contradicting the moment
we venture to say a word, why, bless my
soul, dreams are nothing to it. Now, I'm
going in the other road to see that every-
thing's ready, packed, and mind you're a
good, sweet little daisy-bird whilst I'm
away. Two-and-twenty," she added, with an
endeavour to speak his own language.
"By-bye, dear, she'll be long."

She was ready and fully dressed, and
the brown-paper parcel, tied with several
pieces of string of various qualities and
lengths, stood at the doorway, ere he
returned. A neighbour filled up the time
by giving advice for the journey—back to
the engine; care in waiting until the train
stopped before going out; questions to be
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Intimations.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE FIFTH AND LAST MEETING of
the Season will be held at HAPPY
VALE on SATURDAY, the 10th Oc-
tober, 1908, commencing at 4 p.m.
The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00
for others than Members of the Hongkong
Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.
Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half-
Price.
The Committee invite the Ladies of
Hongkong to be present.
REGINALD F. O. MASTER,
Hon. Sec. and Treasurer.
Hongkong, October 7, 1908. 5

PEAK CLUB.

THE PAID PERFORMANCE POST-
PONED from September 25th, will
be given on SATURDAY, October 10th.
Hongkong, October 7, 1908. 1380

KOWLOON-CRICKET CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of Members will be held in the Club
Hall on THURSDAY, the 15th Oc-
tober, at 5.15 p.m.
T. CHEE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, October 7, 1908. 1279

HONGKONG ST. ANDREW'S
SOCIETY.

ST. ANDREW'S GALL
30th November, 1908,
and
THREE PRACTICE DANCES.

SCOTSMEN desiring to Subscribe to the
above are requested to forward their
names to the Underigned.

DAVID WOOD,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, October 3, 1908. 1363

TO ALL TO WHOM IT MAY
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erby	torpedo boat destroyer	7700	—	—	Capt. C. F. Henderson, R.N.	Hongkong
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erby	torpedo boat destroyer	85	2	240	Lieut.-Comr. R. E. Yachet	Yamaguchi
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erby	torpedo boat destroyer	355	5	6300	Lieut.-Comdr. Stevenson	Hongkong
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erby	torpedo boat destroyer	350	5	490	Lieut.-Com. J. Kiddle	Hongkong
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Admiral	French armoured cruiser	1830	10	1700	Lieut. Bertrand	Saligon
Albatross	French cruiser	1440	22	5100	Capt. Fourrier	Saligon
Albatross	French gunboat	506	7	400	Commander Badin	Saligon
Albatross	French river gunboat	180	6	470	Lieut. Andouard	Hongkong
Albatross	French cruiser	4210	16	83 0	Commandr. Rochas	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	150	—	—	Reserve.	Saligon
Albatross	French gunboat	500	6	600	Commandr. J. Gervais	Saligon
Albatross	French gunboat	545	10	1090	Lieut. de Limaes	Shanghai
Albatross	French cruiser	11,242	26	18,500	Capt. Thibault	Shanghai
Albatross	French gunboat	141	—	—	Reserve.	Saligon
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Albatross	French gunboat	500	—	—	Reserve	Saligon
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Albatross	French surveying ship	1825	10	990	Comdr. Ragot de la Touche	Saligon
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Albatross	German gunboat	900	10	1344	Capt. Bilhou	Shanghai
Albatross	German cruiser	2600	—	—	Capt. Langenak	Shanghai
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Albatross	German torpedo-boat	280	—	—	Lieut. Hesse	Shanghai
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4 p.m.—Last Meeting of Hongkong
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TUESDAY, October 13—
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clusive.

WEDNESDAY, October 14—
Goods per Princess Alice undelivered
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THURSDAY, October 15—
6.15 p.m.—Meeting of Kowloon Cricket
Club, at Club Pavilion.
FRIDAY, October 16—
Noon—Meeting of Canton Insurance
Office, Ltd., at Messrs Jardine, Matheson
& Co.'s Office.
TUESDAY, October 17—
Noon—Meeting of The Dairy Farm Co.,
Ld., at Co.'s Town Office.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1908.

VIOLATING THE TREATY OF

BERLIN.

There must be many residents in
Hongkong who can remember the
intense excitement which thrilled
throughout the British Isles when
Lord Beaconsfield and the Marquis
of Salisbury returned from Berlin in
the latter end of July, 1878, bearing
with them the text of the famous treaty
which was supposed to have solved the
Eastern Question for good and all.
"Peace with Honour" was the phrase
which Lord Beaconsfield is supposed
to have dropped as he alighted
from the train at Charing Cross, and
for years they formed the catch words
of his party. But there were many who
even then regarded that treaty as con-
taining much fiction, and subsequent
events have borne them out. Even Lord
Salisbury before he died, acknow-
ledged that in supporting Turkey as we
did in the Crimea and later at Berlin
we were, to use a sporting phrase,
"backing the wrong horse."

But what are the conditions of this
famous Berlin treaty, the violation of
which, the cables tell us, has aroused the
wrath of the British people? Few can
tell without looking up the history of
the time, and that is rather troublesome
work for the ordinary man or woman.
Yet the question is one of the moment
and deserves more than casual attention.
Briefly put, the treaty of Berlin arose
from the treaty of San Stefano which
the Russians forced upon the Turks
after the fall of Plevna, on Decem-
ber 10th, 1877. Turkey then seemed
at the mercy of Russia and the con-
queror stipulated that Roumania, Servia

and Bulgaria should be independent
states, the latter extending from the
Danube nearly to Adrianople and So-
lonica. Old Serbia, on the upper part
of the valley of the Morava, was to be
added to Serbia; Bosnia was to be
locally free under the Suzerainty of
the Sultan. These terms, as Prof.
Rose, in his "Century of Con-
tinental History" reminds us, would
have left Turkey mistress only over
Albania and a strip of land along the
Aegean Sea. Naturally the other Euro-
pean Powers were alarmed, particularly
Austria, and she found a warm sup-
porter in England. For a moment it
looked as though a general European
war was possible, but Bismarck, offering
his services as the "honest broker"
managed to bring about an understand-
ing which eventuated in the Treaty of
Berlin.

The terms of the new treaty were
much more favourable to Turkey. (1)
Bosnia, including Herzegovina, was
assigned to Austria for permanent
occupation. Thus Turkey lost a great
province containing nearly 1,250,000
people. Of these about 500,000 were
Greek Christians, 550,000 Mahom-
medans, and 200,000 Roman Catholics.
(2) Montenegro received less than the
San Stefano terms promised her, but
secured the seaports of Antivari and
Dulcigno. (3) Servia was proclaimed
an independent Principality, and
received the district of Old Serbia
on the Upper Valley of the Morava.

(4) Roumania also gained her in-
dependence and ceased to pay any
tribute to the Porte, but had to give up
to her Russian benefactress the slice
acquired from Russia in 1859 between
the Pruth and the northern mouth of the
Danube. In return she received the
port of Ruse on the Black Sea. (5)
Bulgaria, which, according to the San
Stefano terms, would have been an
independent State as large as Roumania
was by the Berlin Treaty subjected to
the suzerainty of the Sultan, divided
into two parts, and confined within
much narrower limits. Besides the
Dobruitcha, it lost the northern or
Bulgarian part of Macedonia, and the
Bulgarians who dwelt between the
Balkans and Adrianople were separated
from their kinsfolk on the north of the
Balkans in a province called Eastern
Roumania. The latter province was to
remain Turkish under a Christian
Governor nominated by the Porte
with the consent of the Powers.

Turkey was allowed to occupy the
passes of the Balkans in time of
war. (6) In Asia Russia gained Kars
and Batumi, while, apart from the
Berlin treaty, England acquired the
right to occupy Cyprus. Turkey, of
course, was saddled with an indemnity
which she has never attempted to pay,
and which ten years ago had accumu-
lated to the nice little figure of \$32,000,000.

Though the cables make rather
ominous reading to-day, we do not think
that any Power will go further than a
protest. The feeling of the times is
against a war which would set the
whole of Europe in a blaze. We view
things in a dryer light than we did
in 1877. King Edward has not worked
in vain. England may fume a little, but
her fuming will be as innocuous as it
was at the time of the Schleswig-
Holstein trouble; Russia does not want
to fight Austria, and Germany certainly
sees no advantage in a bout of fist-fuffs
at present, even though the Sultan does
come off badly in the international deal.
So on the whole we may expect the
air to clear slowly and the
Bulgarians allowed to have their own
way. To explain why Russia is par-
ticularly inclined to let this be the out-
come of the present crisis we might
state that the Bulgars originally came
from the banks of the Volga. Though
they are thought to have been of Asiatic
descent they have become completely
Slavonic in language and sentiment, and
they prefer the Czar to the Caliph any
day.

Colours for the Autumn—The colour
question in men's attire for the coming
autumn is a simple problem. The answer
is brown and green, either separately or
in alliance, and it applies to suits, over-
coats, neckwear, coloured felt headgear,
and many descriptions of underwear.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

A German daily newspaper has made
its appearance in Constantinople.

There were 1,341 miles of telegraph
and telephone lines open in the F.M.S. at
the end of last year. During 1907, 41,500
telegraphic messages were despatched free
of charge, though it must not be imagined
that the practice is universal.

As the sequel to an inquiry into the
publication of words spoken by the Kaiser
in the camp of Doberitz, several officers of
the Prussian Guards, through whose indis-
cretion the speech leaked out, have had to
sind in their resignations. The speech
had reference to attempts to "draw a ring
round Germany," and the Kaiser is re-
ported to have said: "Let them try—we
will be able to meet them."

Nothing has yet been settled definitely
regarding any official celebration of the
Jubilee of the Assumption of the Govern-
ment of India by the Crown. Should any-
thing of the kind, however, be decided
upon, it will most probably take place in
January as the Government of India will
then be assembled in Calcutta, and by that
time it is possible that the Council's Ex-
tension scheme may be sufficiently advanced
to admit of some public announcement
regarding it.

A theft was committed in Messrs
Jardine, Matheson's office the other day.
A silver watch, with 18 carat gold chain
and locket with small pearl, was taken from
the desk of Mr. W. L. Warren between
nine and ten o'clock on Wednesday morn-
ing. His name was on the inner case of the
watch and as he was able to supply the
number of the watch it should be easily
recovered if it be pawned. The total value
of the articles is \$92.

A distinguished Crimean veteran has
passed away in the person of Sir Reginald
Gipps, whose death is announced by
Routledge. The son of Sir George Gipps, a
famous Governor of Australia, he entered
the Scots Guards in 1849 and fought
throughout the Crimean campaign, being
present at Alma and Inkermann, where
he was twice wounded. Besides the medal
with four clasps which he was
awarded by the British Government he was
made a Knight of the Legion of Honour by
the Emperor of the French. He com-
manded the Scots Guards from 1878 to
1881, the Home District from 1884 to 1889,
was D. A. G. to the Auxiliary Forces,
1891-92, and Military Secretary at Head-
quarters from 1892 to 1893. General
Gipps was made a K. C. B. in 1898 and a
G. C. B. in 1902.

The Committee of the Shanghai St.
Andrew's Society report that the accounts,
after allowing for all calls made upon the
charitable fund, show a credit balance of
\$1,991.67 as against \$1,289 last year. It
is proposed to transfer Ts. 362.50 to the
charity Reserve Account, which will thus
be brought up to a total of Ts. 7,000.
During the year 141 new members have
been enrolled—110 have been struck off
the list on account of death, departure for
home, etc., and the membership now
stands at a total of 736 as compared with
755 last year. From these 688 subscrip-
tions have been collected, a satisfactory
total when it is considered how many
totaling members are continually in and
out of and away from the port. It may
further be noted that calls on the Charita-
ble Fund to the extent of \$849.88 were
met last year, and that the St. Andrew's
Ball, held in the Town Hall on November
29 last, resulted in a surplus of \$347.11.

NARROW ESCAPE OF THE
CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDANT
OF POLICE.

While the Hon Mr. Murray Stewart was
addressing the meeting of the Legislative
Council this afternoon a large piece of the
ceiling fell without any warning and just
missed striking the head of the Hon Mr.
F. J. Baddley, Captain Superintendent of
Police. Captain Baddley had a most
marvellous escape.

His Excellency referred to the narrow
escape which they had just witnessed, as
one of the members of that council and it
was a matter on which they could con-
gratulate him.

DISCOVERY OF A NEW
COMET.

A new Comet, which is described as
bright, was discovered by M. Schuster at
the Yerkes Observatory, Wisconsin, on
September 2nd. It is at present situated
upon the southern border of the constella-
tion Cygnus and is moving northward. It
is already nearly five times as bright as
at the time of discovery, is still increasing
in brilliancy, and will reach the point of
nearest approach to the sun on December
26th.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE.

A London telegram appearing in the
Singapore Free Press on Oct. 1st says:—
The Commonwealth Government has in-
troduced a defence bill which provides for
periods of training varying from an hour
weekly to eighteen days yearly, with extra
periods for non-efficiency. At 28 men
enter the reserve but are liable to be called
out in war time. Similar provisions are
made for the service of the Navy. The
penalty on employers obstructing the
service of employees is one hundred pounds
sterling. Anyone not complying with the
Act is liable to be disqualified, deprived
of the old age pension, and be ineligible
for Commonwealth employment.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Sir Claude MacDonald, British Am-
bassador to Japan, is expected to go
home on leave next April.

Sir P. H. Warren, K.C.M.G., H.B.M.'s
Consul-General, has returned to Shanghai
after a summer holiday spent at Weihaiwei.

Dr. Montague John Stone-Wigg, the
Bishop of New Guinea, has, owing to ill-
health, sent in his resignation to the
Metropolitan of Queensland.

Sir George Buchanan, Consul-General at
Sofia, has been appointed to be his Maj-
esty's Envoy Extraordinary and Minister
Plenipotentiary at The Hague.

Shanghai is lamenting the death of sea
of Mr. M. A. Sopher, who had been a
resident there for upwards of thirty years,
first with Messrs E. D. Sassoon & Co., and
later with Messrs S. J. David & Co.

The numerous friends of Mr. Leonardo
d'Almeida Castro, of Messrs Golding
Barlow and Morrell, will be pleased to
learn that he has successfully passed his
examination, held a month ago, as a
solicitor at the Supreme Court of Hong-
kong.

Ernest Francisco Fenollosa, whose death
is reported in Japan papers, was one of the
greatest authorities on the arts and litera-
ture of Japan and China. He was born
at Salem, Massachusetts, in 1853. In 1878
he was appointed Professor of Political
Economy and Philosophy in Tokyo Uni-
versity, while from 1880 to 1886 he was
Professor of Philosophy and Logic at the
same institution. In the last mentioned
year he became Fine Arts Commissioner to
the Japanese Government, and in 1887
he was appointed Manager of the Tokyo
Fine Arts Academy and the Art Depart-
ment of the Imperial Museum at Tokyo.
From 1890 to 1896 Professor Fenollosa
was Curator of the Department of Oriental
Art in the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston,
and in 1877 he accepted the position of
Professor of English in the Higher Normal
School, Tokyo. Dr. Fenollosa carried out
some of the first excavations on ancient
Japanese sites and was the author of a
number of monographs and magazine
articles on Japanese and Chinese art,
literature, history, philosophy, etc. He
was also the founder of the "Fenollosa
Collection of Japanese and Chinese Paint-
ings" in the Museum of Fine Arts,
Boston.

RETIREMENT OF ADMIRAL
EMERY.

Flag to be Lowered at
Hongkong.

We understand that the U. S. S. battle-
ship Louisiana will arrive at Hongkong on
November 5, when Admiral Emery will
lower his flag on his retirement from the
U. S. Navy.

COMPANY MEETING.

Humphreys' Estate and Finance
Company, Ltd.

The adjourned extraordinary general
meeting of Humphreys' Estate and Finance
Company, Ltd., was held at the offices of
the Company at noon to-day. Mr. Henry
Humphreys presided, and there was also
present: Dr. J. W. Noble, Messrs J. A.
Jupp, Directors; D. E. Clarke, S. A. Seth,
G. Rapp, C. B. Byers, J. M. Wong, and
E. Seth (Secretary).

The following resolution was passed:—
That the sum of \$50,000 now standing at
the credit of fund for equalization of divi-
dend be transferred to the credit of
Typhoon and Floods Insurance Fund.
The meeting also passed the following
resolution:—That Article No. 64 of the
Articles of Association of the Company be
cancelled and the following Articles sub-
stituted therefore:—Three members per-
sonally present shall be a quorum for an
ordinary general meeting. For all other
meetings the quorum shall be five.
That Article No. 111 of the Articles of
Association of the Company be altered by
deleting the words "the Governing Director
or by two Directors" on the seventh line
thereof and substituting the following words
therefore:—"The General Managers."

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SHIPPING.

The British steamer Gloucester, which left
Singapore on the 1st inst. with Captain
W. T. Larkins in command, arrived in port
on Wednesday with a large consignment of
general cargo. From the time of leaving
Singapore, fine weather was experi-
enced until noon of the 5th, when the
vessel encountered a typhoon from the
North East. While the steamer was in
the typhoon, she sustained considerable
damage to her deck fittings, life boats, etc.
Bad weather continued until nine o'clock
on the evening of the 6th, after which fine
weather was met with until the arrival of
the vessel in port.

The China Navigation Company's steamer
Shanghai, from Shanghai, reports having
passed the four-masted sailing ship
T. D. F. Q. bound for Hongkong, in
latitude 22.33S. and longitude 115.31E.
She wished to be reported all well.

The steamer Hsiao (A. R. Marty), reports
that on the 6th inst. she ran out a typhoon
in the entrance to Kwong Chow Wan.
The lowest barometer reading was 29.15,
at five minutes past four the same day.
On the 7th inst. the vessel spoke the
French steamer Gilbert which was return-
ing to Kwong Chow Wan in a slightly dam-
aged condition.

CRETANS PROCLAIM
UNION WITH GREECE.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LOSTOX, October 8.

The Cretans at Canea have proclaimed
their union with Greece.

(Creta is an island in the Mediterranean
lying to the South of the Aegean Sea and
Anchipelago. Its area is about 3,300
square miles with a population of 310,185.
The chief cities are Candia, Canea and
Ritimo. There are about 33,500 Moslems
and 268,800 Christians. The island was
conquered by the Turks in 1669 but never
really submitted, continually rising in
insurrection against them, and in 1836 the
Powers set up autonomy under the nominal
suzerainty of the Sultan. Prince George of
Greece being appointed the first High
Commissioner. He was not particularly
successful and resigned a year ago. The
constitution of February, 1907, which
superceded that of 1869, provides for an
Assembly of sixty-four deputies, elected
biennially. The executive power rests in
the High Commissioner and a Council of
four members.—Ed. C.M.)

GOVERNOR OF HUNAN.

TO BE DISMISSED.

(Wh. Te. Y. P. Service.)

PERKIN, October 7.

Shun Chun-ming, Governor of Hunan,
will shortly be dismissed from office.

IMPERIAL CHINESE
BANK.

BRANCHES TO BE ESTAB-
LISHED IN VARIOUS PARTS OF
THE WORLD.

(Wh. Te. Y. P. Service.)

PEKING, October 7.

The Board of Finance has decided to
establish branches of the Imperial
Chinese Bank in England, Australia,
Straits Settlements, Amman, Japan and
Germany.

OFFICIAL POSITIONS.

VICEROY TUN FANG ADOPTS
THE NEW SYSTEM.

(Wh. Te. Y. P. Service.)

PEKING, October 7.

Viceroy Tun Fang has telegraphed
that arrangements have been made to
adopt the new system in connection
with official positions in the provinces
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THE BALKANS.

SERVIAN INDIGNATION
TOWARDS AUSTRIA.(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters,
via Bombay).

London, October 7.

The Servian *Changé d'affaires* in London, interviewed by Reuters, explaining the indignation of Servia with regard to Austria's demand for the annexation of Bosnia, pointed out that the majority of the population of Bosnia were Servians who fiercely resisted even a temporary occupation of the country. Servia has twice been to war over Bosnia, moreover, the annexation of Bosnia is a very long step towards Austria's final goal, the occupation of Salonika. The possession of Salonika by Austria would mean the strangulation of Servia, both commercially and politically. It was impossible to foretell how far the indignation of Servia would go—as much depended on the effect of the popular clamour upon the Government.

EMPRESS DOWAGER'S
BIRTHDAY.

TO BE FITTINGLY CELEBRATED.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, October 7.

The Empress Dowager has expressed a wish to celebrate the anniversary of her 73rd birthday, which occurs on November 3, at the P-wo Park, but the Grand Councilors advise her to return to the Palace.

THE SALT TAX

SALT COMPTROLLER
APPOINTED.

(Wah Tsai Yat Po's Service.)

Peking, October 7.

Due to the numerous abuses in collecting the salt tax in Manchuria, the Government has decided to appoint a Salt Comptroller to superintend the collection of the tax.

(REUTERS'S SERVICE.)

BULGARIA AND TURKEY.

London, October 6.

Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, in a telegram to the Sultan of Turkey, says that he has been compelled to respect the wishes of the nation, and expresses the hope that the friendly relations hitherto existing between the two countries will be maintained.

A Council of Ministers is considering a reply, which will probably take the form of a protest at the Prince's action, and a refusal to recognize Bulgaria's independence.

A Manifesto issued at Sofia yesterday evening says that the proclamation of independence is in conformity with the will of the people who hope that the powers will approve.

Prince Ferdinand and his ministers have started for Philippopolis. The mobilization of an army of 100,000 men has been ordered.

THE EUROPEAN SITUATION.

London, October 6.

At Paris, M. Fichon discussed with M. Jaworsky, Russian Foreign Minister, and Sir Francis Bertie, British Ambassador, the question of a European Congress which is growing in probability, despite the danger of dealing with the indissoluble matters involved.

The Sultan in his reply to Prince Ferdinand, which has now been despatched, says that Turkey has invited the Powers to confer on the situation.

An Anti-Austrian mass meeting has been held at Belgrade at which there were shouts of *Down with Austria* and much bellicose talk.

The Servian reserves numbering 180,000 men were called out yesterday.

THE CHENG TU HOSPITAL
STUDENTS.

London, October 6.

A meeting has been held at Lord Salisbury's house at which it was resolved to form an Etonian association for China in support of Bishop Cassel's scheme for students in the hospital at Chungtu.

A committee was appointed with Lord William Cecil as chairman.

BLOOD POISON PREVENTED.

There is no danger from blood poisoning resulting from a wound when Chamberlain's Pain-Expeller is applied. It is an antiseptic, and unless the injury is very severe it will not leave a scar. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

His Excellency, Sir Frederick Lugard presided at the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held this afternoon. There were also present:—

Hon. Mr. F. H. MAY (Colonial Secretary),
Hon. Mr. W. REES DAVIES, K.C. (Attorney General),
Hon. Mr. W. CATHAM (Director of Public Works),
Hon. Mr. A. M. THOMSON (Colonial Treasurer),
Hon. Mr. E. A. IRVING (Registrar General),
Hon. Colonel C. H. DARLING, R.E.,
Hon. F. J. BADDLEY, Capt. Supt. of Police,
Hon. Dr. Ho Kai,
Hon. Mr. YU, C.M.G.,
Hon. Mr. MURRAY STEWART,
Hon. Mr. H. W. SHAW,
Hon. Mr. W. J. GIBSON,
Mr. C. CLEMENTI (Clerk of Council).

THE ESTIMATES.

Second reading of the bill entitled An Ordinance to apply a sum not exceeding five million five hundred and seventy thousand four hundred and twenty-seven dollars to the public service of the year 1909.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary moved the second reading. The Hon. Colonial Treasurer seconded.

Hon. Mr. Murray Stewart congratulated His Excellency on the very able and lucid manner in which the estimates had been introduced, but could not congratulate His Excellency on the financial condition of the Colony. He thought the military contribution was excessive and the unofficial members were of the same opinion. He suggested that the Government should adopt methods of retrenchment instead of increasing the taxation, particularly in the Sanitary Department which had grown up in years of prosperity. It was satisfactory to know that the railway was progressing so favourably for it would only be an expensive toy until communication was accomplished with Canton, yet the plan of making roads in the New Territory and returning some day to widen them was not one to commend itself. He thought that there must be a waste of expenditure as regards the roads as the vote for this year was the same as last year and many of the roads were in a deplorable state having gone from bad to worse. The suggestion of a period of prosperity ran through His Excellency's speech like a thread. Some people thought that Hongkong was in danger of losing its position as a mart but that did not justify people turning away. He expressed his earnest desire that His Excellency's forecast would be completely vindicated.

Hon. Mr. J. W. Gibson, who thought it ought to be his policy to foster shipping and not to impose taxation on it, asked that the Government give an assurance that the light dues on shipping would not be increased to more than \$700,000. There had also been no reference in His Excellency's speech regarding retrenchment.

Hon. Mr. F. H. May thought that shipping firms in the Col. would have read with interest the speeches regarding shipping which appeared in the *Observer*.

Hon. Mr. Catham thought that it was impossible to prevent the growth of grass on the roads referred to, which were only surfaced with material from the hillsides. His Excellency thought that the military contribution ought not to be considered on a par with the option question. He assured them that during the last year the question of retrenchment had been before him and those who had advised him and every care had been exercised in that respect.

The saving in the Sanitary Department had been about \$36,000 in spite of an increase of some \$12,000 due to the fall in exchange. It was due to the fact that the Sanitary Department, Mr. McVassart, that they were to some extent experts in plague, and many of the votes in the Council in regard to the Sanitary Department had been retrenched through him.

The Hon. Mr. May thought that the New Territory seemed to him to be the best course, and such roads as far as possible would be suitable for bullock traffic. The question of the collection of stamp duties had had his most careful attention for months past. His endeavour was to make Hongkong a manufacturing centre as well as to keep it an open-market mart. He did not feel himself free to give any assurance with regard to the increase of light dues on shipping, as the typhoon refuge would probably not be completed until some years after he had left the Colony.

Hon. Mr. H. W. Shaw also spoke. The motion was agreed to and the bill was read a second time, and referred to the Finance Committee on the proposition of the Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded by the Hon. Colonial Treasurer.

EVIDENCE ORDINANCE.

Second reading of the bill entitled An Ordinance to extend a certain definition in the Imperial Act styled the Evidence (Colonial Statutes) Act 1907.

The Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a second time.

The Council went into committee on the bill and on resuming the bill was read a third time on the proposition of the Hon. Attorney General seconded by the Hon. Colonial Secretary and passed.

REGULATION OF THEATRES, ETC.

Second reading of the bill entitled An Ordinance for regulating Theatres and other places of public resort.

The Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading, and said that all places of amusement would have to be licensed under the bill.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer seconded and the bill was read a second time.

The act comes into operation on December 15.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held under the presidency of the Hon. Mr. F. H. May, Colonial Secretary, when the following votes were considered and passed.

EDUCATION.

A sum of \$5,281 in aid of the vote, education, Department of Inspection of schools, other charges, Evening Continuation Classes.

CHARITABLE SERVICES.

A sum of \$2,000 in aid of the vote, charitable services, Tung Wah Hospital.

TREASURY.

A sum of \$270 in aid of the vote, Treasury, B—Office of Assessor of Rates, other charges, for the following items: Furniture \$36, Typewriter \$235, total \$270.

"What made that horse kick you?" they asked the stable-boy, as he rubbed himself.

"You may think I'm a fool," he replied; "but I ain't such a fool as to go back and ask him."

SPORTING NOTIONS.

The Gymkhana.

The forthcoming Gymkhana, to be held on Saturday next, the 10th instant, promises to be one of exceptional excellence.

The class of pony entered in the various events and the number of entries as shown by the Programme are a guarantee that competition will be keen and the racing of more than ordinary interest. In the first race on the Programme, "Five Furlongs," there are 15 entries, amongst which are such well known and tried performers as—Earthquake, Coconab, Ard Patrick and Quorn, to take the first four, and lower down one comes Astral, Blue Nile and Maryland. Out of these 15 there should be at least 9 or 10 starters to try conclusions for the Cup presented by Rear-Admiral R. H. S. Stokes, R.N., if sufficient riders can be found, and we think the winner should be looked for among the first three ponies on the programme. If Mr. Dryadust starts Earthquake for this race, as we hear is most probable, we think one need look no further. Should, however, Mr. Dryadust elect to start Coconab instead of Earthquake we do not think he will become the happy possessor of the Admiral's Cup. Blue Nile and Sider Dhu should both run well in this race if they start. Earthquake has led out the summer in wonderful fashion, contrary to the expectation of many good judges who prophesied that he would make a bad race of this. Thus once more in Mr. Dryadust's well known judgment is vindicated. In the Gymkhana Stakes, which should be seen between Astral and Coconab (if he starts) and as the distance is a mile I fancy the latter, if another quarter were to be added my vote would go to the other way. If Earthquake starts instead of his stable companion I see nothing to prevent him winning again. I have however been given a straight tip for this race, and that is "keep your eyes on Plym."

As has come to be the usual thing whenever the event is attempted nowadays the "Ladies' Nomination" race has filled badly, only three entrants participating. Whose fault is it? There is something wrong somewhere, as in the old days we can remember seeing as many as 17 or 18 go to the post for this event, all having entered beforehand, too. Mr. Gymkhana Sec. I say how is it? It is difficult to believe that the present members of the Gymkhana Club, who number amongst their ranks so many attractive specimens of manhood from portly middle age to slender youth, should be unable to persuade or be too busy to ask some fair but to be her knight to break a lance (figuratively speaking) in her cause in the Gymkhana Arena ("P.W.M.") Yet what other conclusion can we come to when one considers the ladies.

Next comes the "Three Quarters of a Mile Flat Race" for bony ponies. It is curious to see such ponies as Plym and Ard Patrick eligible for a race of this description, it is strikingly eloquent proof of the advance in the class of ponies competing at Gymkhana meetings during the past two or three years. We do not however expect to see either Plym or Ard Patrick the winner of this race.

As time race is always an interesting event, and the number of entries it has attracted is distinctly good. The last time this race formed part of a Gymkhana programme in Hongkong some two years ago, Mr. F. B. Deacon, one of the present entrants, calculated the time allowed to complete the course with such nicety that he passed the winning post 1/5 of a second only from the correct time. We have heard it suggested that Mr. Deacon owed his success to the nice "adjustment" of his well-balanced legal mind, and whether this is so or not we sincerely hope he will win some time again but "none venture none win."

The mile and quarter handicap has filled well as usual. This is always a popular event at the Gymkhana. I should very much like to see Astral do his trick by winning again but it seems to be expected rather a lot from this pony. Baring Quorn he is carrying too weight, 4 lbs. more than anything else. If Quorn is it however, on previous form, he ought to win. We think the handicapper may be congratulated on the excellent handicap he has provided—on this occasion the weights allotted cannot but meet with universal approval.

Our selections for Saturday are:—
1. Five Furlongs (Handicap), Earthquake, if absent, Ard Patrick or Sider Dhu.
2. Gymkhana Stakes, Mr. Dryadust's selection, Astral, Quorn.
3. 1/2 mile, Soudan.
4. Time Race, Mr. F. B. Deacon.
5. 1/2 mile (Handicap), Astral or Quorn.

"THE IDLER."

The Irishman's Reason.—A gentleman riding on horseback came upon an Irishman who was leaning in a man's harness and desolate piece of land. "What are you fencing in that lot for, Pat?" he asked; "a herd of cattle would starve to death on that land."

"And sure, your honour," replied Pat, "wauld I fence it in to keep the poor bastards out of it?"

RHEUMATISM.

SOME little confidence has the average man in the various cures for rheumatism that he often suffers for years without making any effort to find relief. He then finds that it has become chronic. This is a mistake, as the pain can always be relieved, and most cases cured by applying Chamberlain's Pain-Expeller. The relief from pain which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. It makes sleep and rest possible. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

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THE RECENT SEOUL TRIAL.

The acquittal of Mr. Yang Ki-tak, Editor of the *Tai Han Mai-Sing*, the vernacular edition of the *Korea Daily News*, on the charge of embezzlement brings to a close a somewhat remarkable chapter in the history of Japan's protectorate over the Hermit Kingdom. In March 1907, a movement was started in Korea to collect money for the redemption of the national debt to Japan. A Central Society was established to receive funds, but various agencies seem to have been formed with the same object, while money was sent direct to the *Tai Han Mai-Sing*, which found itself obliged to open a subscription list. The duties of an Editor in such circumstances would consist merely in passing on the money thus sent in, after acknowledging its receipt in the columns of the paper, to the general fund, and this course was adopted by Mr. Yang Ki-tak. When, however, some doubt arose regarding the reliability of one or more of the agencies for receiving subscriptions, Mr. E. T. Bethell, editor and proprietor of the *Korea Daily News*, to whom the money received by the association was sent, was actually handed over, announced that the subscriptions sent to the newspaper would "in conjunction with a bank or a company having credit in the world, be dealt with in a suitable manner." Subscriptions continued to come in and were duly acknowledged by the newspaper, until the amount stood at Y.61,042.33 on May 16, 1908. Not long afterwards Mr. Yang Ki-tak was suddenly arrested on the charge of having fraudulently appropriated money received both at his newspaper office and at the headquarters of the National Debt Redemption Fund, and the amount indicated was Y.149,000. The case, as the Public Prosecutor admitted, was heard "with care and thoroughness," and it resulted in the complete collapse of the prosecution. Mr. Yang Ki-tak, we are told in a brief telegram, was acquitted "on the score of insufficiency of evidence," but it may be supposed that the actual text of the judgement made fuller reasons for the unwarranted aspersion cast upon him.

In the absence of further information it becomes difficult to account for the action of the Japanese authorities in laying this charge against Mr. Yang Ki-tak. Before the proceedings in court no attempt seems to have been made to substantiate the accusation. Mr. Yang Ki-tak was able to prove that he had not touched the money with the fund beyond receiving the amounts sent in to the paper and passing them on to Mr. Bethell. The latter confirmed the statement that the responsibility of the accused had ceased directly the money had been handed over to his own keeping. He went further and gave a full explanation of the destination of all the money received and it was obvious that the financial conduct of Japanese correspondents in Korea during the trial. Almost as if a *mot d'ordre* had been given, these irresponsible members of their profession sought to improve the occasion by insinuations against persons not directly implicated in the charges against Mr. Yang Ki-tak. Mr. Cockburn, British Consul-General at Seoul, was accused of being personally concerned in the alleged embezzlement of the Redemption Fund, while Mr. E. T. Bethell was the subject of still more pointed attacks. It may be only a coincidence, but it is not likely to be overlooked that the victims of these attacks held prominent positions among the Britons domiciled in Korea. If for no other reason, it would have been supposed that the existence of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance would deter the Press of Japan from such a course; and the fact that it took no obligations in the matter cannot be regarded as a satisfactory feature.

In this respect a serious responsibility rests on the Japanese vernacular Press to clear up any doubt to which its peculiar lapse may have given rise, and it might do well to make the first step in this direction the removal of its correspondents abroad who show signs of allowing personal animus to override considerations of truth and fairness.—N. G. Daily News.

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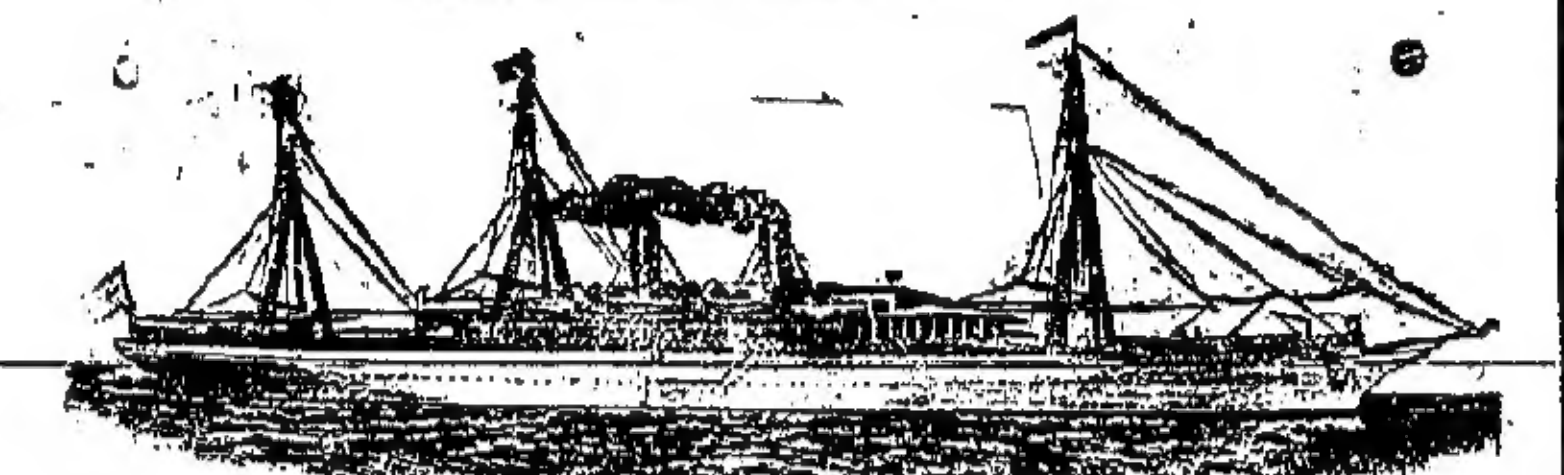
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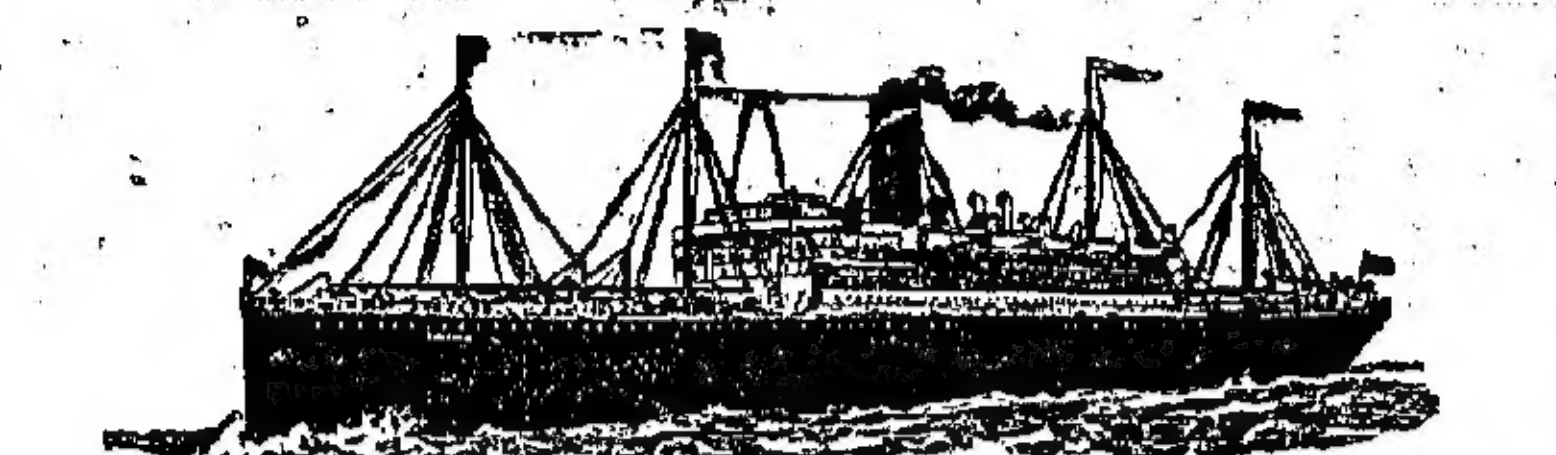
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TENYO MARU ... 21,000	TUESDAY	3rd Nov., at Noon
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Shipping. **PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES & LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.

THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

STEAMERS to COLOMBO	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES & LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due at PLYMOUTH (1 day later)
TELE	Noon Sat'day 1908	TELE	Saturday, 1908	Saturday, 1908
DELTA	8000 Oct. 17	BRITANNIA.....	7000 Nov. 14	Nov. 21
ASSAYE	7000 Oct. 31	MOULTAN.....	10000 Nov. 23	Dec. 5
DELHI	8000 Nov. 14	CHINA.....	8000 Dec. 12	Dec. 19
OCSEA.....	7000 Nov. 28	MOLDAVIA.....	10000 Dec. 28	19 9 Jan. 16
DEVANHA.....	8000 Dec. 12	HIMALAYA.....	7000 1909 Jan. 9	Jan. 21
DELTA	8000 Dec. 26	MONGOLIA.....	10000 Jan. 23	Jan. 28
ASSAYE	7000 19 9 Jan. 9	INDIA.....	8000 Feb. 6	Feb. 13
DELHI	8000 Jan. 23	VICTORIA.....	7000 Feb. 20	Feb. 27

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Arrangement in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:-

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS.	Leave		Due at	
	HONGKONG		LONDON	
	about		about	
	TONNAGE			
* SUMATRA	5000	Nov. 4	Dec.	20
* SOMALI	7000	Nov. 18	Jan. (1909)	17
* SIOILA	7000	Dec. 2	Feb.	14
* NILE	7000	Jan. (1893)	Feb.	28
* SUNDA	6000	Jan. 27	March	13
* NYANZA	7000	Feb. 13	March	27
* MALTA	6000	Feb. 24	April	10
* NORSE	7000	March 10	April	24

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta & Marseilles.

Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers.

For further particulars, Apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,

Acting Superintendent.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN REGULAR THREE-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN **JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.**

STEAMERS	FROM	RECEIVED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJILIWONG	JAVA	First half of Oct.	SHANGHAI AND JAPAN	First half of Oct.
TJIPANAS	JAPAN	Second half of Oct.	JAVA	Second half of Oct.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half of Oct.	JAPAN	Second half of Oct.
TJILJAP	JAPAN	Second half of Oct.	SHANGHAI	Second half of Oct.
TJIMHI	JAVA	First half of Nov.	SHANGHAI	First half of Nov.
TJIBODAS	JAVA	First half of Nov.	JAPAN	First half of Nov.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Northern and Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

YORK BUILDINGS, 1st Floor.

Hongkong, September 24, 1908.

CHARGEURS REUNIS FRENCH STEAMSHIP COMPANY. HEAD OFFICE, PARIS. **ALL ROUND THE WORLD LINE.**

OUTWARD: ANTWERP, DUNKERQUE, LA PALLOISE, MARSEILLES, GENOA, NAPLES, COLUMBO, SINGAPORE, HONGKONG, OHIN WATAO, (PEKING, TIEN SIN), KOBE, YOKOHAMA, GENOA to Hongkong in 30 days. NAPLES to Hongkong in 23 days. Unique opportunity to make a Tour in North-China and Japan with great speed, safety and comfort.

TRANS-PACIFIC: VICTORIA (B.O.), VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, SAN FRANCISCO, Connecting with Canadian Pacific Railway.

Freight to Overseas.

Passengers to Overseas and Europe. Via VANCOUVER.

YOKOHAMA-VANCOUVER 15 days. YOKOHAMA-LONDON 26 days.

HOMeward: MEXICO, RIVER PLATE, BRAZIL, LA PALLOISE, via Magellan Straits.

AMIRAL OLVY.....12th Oct. = CORSE.....11th January.

CEYLAN.....26th November.

New Twin Screw, 16,000 Tons displacement, 1st Class accommodation, splendidly equipped with single berth cabins.

Intermediate Class and Rates of Passage All Round the World Ticket by these boats.

For further particulars, apply to

F. NALIN, Acting Agent,

FRENCH MAIL OFFICE.

HONGKONG-MANILA. Highest Class, newest, fastest and most luxurious Steamers, between Hongkong and Manila. Saloon midships. Electric Light-Portico. Cabin-Surgeon and Stewardess carried. All the most up-to-date arrangements for comfort of Passengers.

CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Dates
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rolger	Manila	Saturday, Oct. 10, at Noon.
RUMI	2540	R. W. Almond	Manila	Oct. 17, at Noon.

No Freight or Passage, apply to

Sh. W. L. Jones & Co.,

General Managers.

Shipping.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW.

THE Company's Steamship

HAITAN.

Captain J. S. ROBIN, will be despatched for the above Ports on FRIDAY, the 9th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS, LAURIE & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, October 7, 1908.

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FOR

STRATTS, OCEAN, AUSTRALIA,

INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH

AND LONDON.

Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CON-

TINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship DELTA, Captain

R. W. H. Snow, carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY,

the 17th October, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship

BRITANNIA 7000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is

second before departure from Hongkong. Suez and Valparaiso, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail

steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the R.M.S. Marwar, due in London on the 28th November, 1908.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further Particulars, apply to

F. J. ABBOTT,

Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 5, 1908.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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STEAMSHIP ORIGINAR.

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND MANILA.

THE above Steamers having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be loaded and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,

Hongkong, October 3, 1908.

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IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDEUTSCHER LOED.

BREMEN.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

PERNEX ALICK,

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Cotton, Furniture and Valables, are being loaded and stored at their risk into the hold and/or extra hazardous Goods of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and West Point Godowns where delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 14th of October, will be subject to rent.

All Broker, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 14th of October, at 8.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDEUTSCHER LOED,

MELOPPERS & CO.,

Hongkong, October 7, 1908.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE Attention of Advertisers is drawn to the latest forms for receipt of Advertisements and Correspondence for Advancements:-

Alterations and additions to Advertisements on Pages 3, 5, 6 and 7, should be sent to our Office at 5, Wyndham Street, not later than 11 a.m. No Advertisements should be sent to our Office at 5, Queen's Road Central before 3 p.m.

THE CHINA MAIL, LD.

THE FIRST CHINESE NEWSPAPER EVER ISSUED UNDER PURELY NATIVE DIRECTION

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ALL THE LATEST INTELLIGENCE FROM THE VARIOUS PORTS IN CHINA AND JAPAN.

50 per Annum (delivered in Hongkong) \$12.50 to all other Ports.

5 WILKINSON STREET, HONGKONG.

Orders booked by Managers, CHINA MAIL.

THE PAY OF ENTERTAINERS.

The information cabled from London that Mr. Harry Lauder has been engaged for a twenty-week season in New York at a salary of £2000 per week is interesting for the sight which it throws upon the present-day remuneration of public entertainers.

So far as we know the world has always been disposed to treat liberally those who can entertain it in the manner that it best likes to be entertained. Certainly the manner varies with time and place, but the conspicuously-skilled in that which happened to be the vogue for the moment could always hope for large rewards. But never have the rewards been so great as at the present day. In particular does this apply to the music hall performer, of which Mr. Harry Lauder is a type. We may heavily discount his £1000 per week, as also the amounts publicly mentioned from time to time as representing the salaries paid to numerous other stars of the first magnitude in the music hall firmament, and yet be left with surprisingly generous sums. It used to be said of Miss Lottie Collins, for instance, that she was paid more to sing that notable and inspiring ditty "Ta-ra-boom-de-ay" with suitable athletic accompaniments than Britain paid her Prime Minister; while there have been other entertainers of a more subtle type—such, for instance, as the late George Grossmith and Dan Leno, and the still living "Little Tich"—whose incomes must, in the busiest periods, have been anywhere between £7,000 and £10,000 a year.

Needless to say, it is only a small percentage of music hall performers who manage to command such very handsome remuneration. Nevertheless, between them and the ruck there is an intermediate class able to earn from £50 down to, say, £15 per week for what not seldom appears to the jaded theatre-goer as neither very skilful nor at all artistic "turns." Taking it all through, however, the scale of remuneration recognised by the music halls is over so much higher than that obtaining in the "legitimate" theatres. Much the highest paid actor of the moment is probably Mr. Cyril Bower, his salary under his New York engagement being reputed at the comfortable figure of £200 per week. There are actors with larger incomes of course, but they are also managers, and they have to assume the responsibility of conducting their own theatres. With the exception of Miss Ellen Terry, whose position on the English stage is unique, there are few actresses, either in England, the Continent, or America, whose salaries have got beyond the £100 per week limit. Generally speaking, it is a very fine actor who can command steady employment at £50 to £40 per week, and there are plenty of excellent ones obliged to be content with much less. While, on the whole, there has been a distinct improvement in the average of salaries for the dramatic artist during the past thirty years, they can hardly be said to have yet entered the zone of extravagance. That a gifted impersonator of a great character in a great play should have, in earning power no higher than the song-and-dance artist capable of doing a laugh-provoking half-hour turn at a music hall may furnish an unimaging commentary upon the public taste; but there it is. It is a question of what the public will pay most for, and for the present at least, it seems disposed to pay most for the variety entertainment, or its near relation the musical farce. Performers are, therefore, only as assessable on their commercial value, rather than on their artistic value. Their earning power is invariably on a scale. No variety artist, for instance, has ever yet reached the £500-a-night feat which Madame Yat was pleased to receive when at her death. Yet after the stars have been provided for the world is by no means kind to its musicians.

—*Sydney Morning Herald.*

What do you think of my execution on the piano?

No better place for your execution could be chosen. I have always been in favour of punishing criminals on the scene of the crime.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DATES.

1.00 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes

7.30 a.m. to 9.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes

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HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Arrived: Thursday, October 14, 1908.

At 100 cents per Dozen Maikans.

Butcher Meat.

Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mel Kung Pa... 18

.. Corned—Ham Ngau Pa... 18

